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ATTN: INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

SUBJECT: [TELEPHONE TAPS ON CALLS INITIATED IN USA TO] (S) CUBAN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER MEXICO CITY, Mexico

1. ON 12 AND 15 NOVEMBER 1973 AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS "ORLANDO S E R R A N O" [MADE TELEPHONE CALLS FROM THE USA TO] (S) THE CUBAN EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY. HE [USED DOUBLE-TALK,] (S) SPOKE SPANISH WITH CUBAN VICE CONSUL JUAN E N S E N A T CAMPS (Cuba Mexico) (AN IDENTIFIED CUIS OFFICER), AND REFERRED TO HIS (THE CALLER'S) RELATIONSHIP WITH MANUEL R O D R I G U E Z SEOANE (Mexico Cuba) IN 1964 AND (a Cuban Intelligence Service officer) TO "MICKEY" WHOM HE HAD CONTACTED PREVIOUSLY, PRESUMABLY IN MEXICO. RODRIGUEZ IS A CUIS OFFICER AND "MICKEY" IS THE PSEUDONYM OF ENRIQUE C I C A R D LABRADA (aka Mickey Cuba Mexico) WHO WAS STATIONED IN MEXICO CITY AS CONSUL FROM 1968 UNTIL TRANSFERED TO HAVANA 1971. ACCORDING TO A DGI DEFECTOR IN 1971 (1971 in Mexico City, Mexico), CICARD WAS THEN EITHER HEAD OF THE DGI USA BUREAU OR THE SECTION IN CHARGE OF OPERATIONS AGAINST THE FBI AND

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2. THERE ARE NO IDENTIFIABLE TRACES ON SERRANO. IN VIEW OF THE CALLER'S CITED CUIS CONNECTIONS, WE BELIEVE HE IS VERY POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH EMILIO E C H A R T E PEDROSO, SUBJECT OF FBI NEW YORK REPORT DATED OCTOBER 27, 1970. THAT REPORT REFERRED TO ECHARTE'S RECRUITMENT IN CUBA BY RODRIGUEZ AND HIS DISPATCH TO THE USA ON A MISSION TO ASSASSINATE CUBAN EXILE LEADER MANOLO R A Y. SAME REPORT ALSO ADVISED THAT ECHARTE CONTACTED DGI OFFICER CICARD IN MEXICO 1968 AND CICARD DIRECTED HIM TO CULTIVATE A CIA AGENT IN USA.

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3. [THE 12 NOVEMBER CALL WAS MADE FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED LOCATION IN THE USA. THE 15 NOVEMBER CALL WAS MADE AT 1458 HOURS WASHINGTON, D.C. TIME FROM A PHONE BOOTH IN WASHINGTON TO THE CUBAN EMBASSY MEXICO CITY, TELEPHONE NUMBER 5530917. THE 12 AND 15 NOVEMBER CONVERSATIONS ARE SIMILAR IN CONTENT. OUR MEXICO CITY STATION RECEIVED A TAPE RECORDING OF THE 15 NOVEMBER TELEPHONE CONVERSATION FROM THE MEXICAN SERVICE WHICH] (S) WE ARE FORWARDING TO FBI HEADQUARTERS FOR REVIEW. [AN EXPERIENCED TRANSCRIBER EMPLOYED BY CIA STATES THAT THE CALLER] (S) USED DEFINITE CUBAN SPANISH. [THE TRANSCRIBER ALSO BELIEVES THE CALLER] (S) IS NOT WELL EDUCATED.

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4. ON 15 NOVEMBER [THE CALLER] (S) REFERRED TO HIS PREVIOUS RELATIONSHIP WITH RODRIGUEZ AND CICARD, AND SAID THAT THE MEETING HE [(THE CALLER)] (S) WAS INVOLVED WITH ["HERE"] (S) (PRESUMABLY IN THE USA) HAD BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL "THE FIFTEENTH", THAT HE WANTED TO GO AND EXPLAIN WHAT IS TAKING PLACE, AND THAT ENSENAT SHOULD RELAY THE INFORMATION TO PINEIRO (PRESUMABLY MANUEL/P I N E I R O/LOSADA, CHIEF OF THE CUBAN LIBERATION DIRECTORATE, WHO IS CURRENTLY BELIEVED TO BE IN HAVANA). ENSENAT SAID HE WOULD PASS THE MESSAGE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. [THE CALLER SAID HE WOULD TELEPHONE ENSENAT AGAIN AT THE SAME TIME ON THE FIFTEENTH.] (S)

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5. WE ARE UNABLE TO MAKE MUCH SENSE OUT OF [THE CALLS.] (S) ANY POSSIBLE IDENTIFICATION YOUR ORGANIZATION CAN MAKE OF [THE CALLER] (S) AND HIS ACTIVITIES, BASED ONHIS CABLE AND YOUR REVIEW [OF THE 15 NOVEMBER TAPE,] (S) WILL BE APPRECIATED.

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